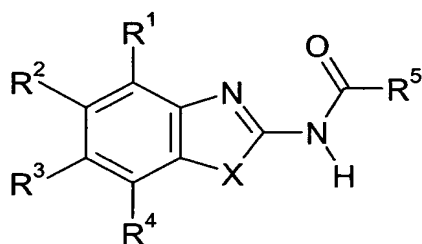


## Abstract

The present invention relates to acylamino-substituted heteroaromatic compounds of  
5 formula I,



wherein R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> and X are as defined herein, to pharmaceutical  
10 compositions comprising such compounds, to methods for the stimulation of the  
expression of endothelial NO synthase, and methods of treatment comprising  
administering such compounds.